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Ho-Chunk Nation Plaza crowned at Camp Randall Stadium at UW-Madison



Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A sign at Camp Randall Stadium is symbolic of a new partnership between the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Ho-Chunk members and government officials and university officials gathered on Friday, September 9, for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to dedicate the naming of the gate and plaza.

"This is our homeland, a very sacred place where this city of Madison sits," said Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland during the ceremony. "We have a lot of sacred lands in this area here. It's good that we can make a partnership such as this, going into our future for the sake of our future generations that good things like this will continue to happen."

The partnership is for the naming rights to the gate near gate 5, but officials say they hope it leads to something more throughout Wisconsin.

"Like the University of Wisconsin, the Ho-Chunk nation has been an integral part of our community and the state of Wisconsin," said UW-Madison Athletic Director Barry Alvarez.

"We believe this relationship will offers opportunities to partner with Ho-Chunk on initiatives and projects that are both meaningful and will have an impact on the University, the tribal nation and the state of Wisconsin. The thousands of people who enter historic Camp Randall Stadium each season to support the Badgers will enter through this gate under the Ho-Chunk Nation name recognizing the tribe's special place in history," Alvarez said.

The sign is along Breese Terrace near the north practice field.

"This is a unique situation. Only one other gate has ever been named and that doesn't have a plaza," said Senior Associate Athletic Director Bruce Van De Velde of University of Wisconsin - Madison.

"Camp Randall is a historical setting, having tens of thousands of people passing through those gates,"



President Wilfrid Cleveland and Ho-Chunk members and local residents gather around University of Wisconsin – Madison Athletic Director Barry Alvarez within the new Ho-Chunk Nation Plaza gate at Camp Randall.

Van De Velde said. "It's a fitting setting for the history and culture of the Ho-Chunk people."

Beyond the naming opportunity,

the money provided by the Ho-Chunk Nation will have some designation to promote inclusion and diversity on campus of Native Americans and has the opportunity to sponsor a forum for them.

To make all this possible, the Ho-Chunk Nation will be providing a gift of a total of \$2 million over five years. The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature paid for the sponsorship.

The dedicated gate and plaza will provide an opportunity for the Ho-Chunk Nation to conduct events at the site. One such talked-about event is an annual powwow inside the stadium, Van De Velde said.

Although the Ho-Chunk Nation has had an ongoing relationship with the university for many years, the possibility of naming the Ho-

Chunk Plaza has been in the works for about six months, he said.

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President Wilfrid Cleveland and Athletic Director Barry Alvarez cut the ribbon, marking the official opening of the Ho-Chunk Nation Plaza.

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The Ho-Chunk Nation stands with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation has offered support to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe with the opposition of the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline. The pipeline would transport crude oil from North Dakota to Illinois and it would travel under the Missouri River. It would be located very close to the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe filed an injunction against the Army Corps of Engineers to halt the approval process and construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

On August 19, 2016 the Ho-Chunk Nation sent a letter of support to the Chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. On August 23, 2016 the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature passed a resolution to support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe against the Dakota Access Pipeline. To date there are 188 Tribes and First Nations that have sent letters of support and resolutions to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. There are also 108 Organizations, Cities and Businesses that have sent letters of support and resolutions.

The Ho-Chunk Nation held a food and supply drive for the Sacred Stone Camp in Cannon Ball, North Dakota from August 25-30, 2016. A group of representatives from the Ho-Chunk Nation delivered the supplies on August 30, 2016 to the Sacred Stone Camp in North Dakota. The delegation included Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland, Ho-Chunk Nation Representative Greg Blackdeer, Ho-Chunk Na-

tion Representative Henning Garvin, Ho-Chunk Nation Representative David Greendeer, Ho-Chunk Nation Public Relations Officer Collin Price, Cody Shisler, Don Ford and Edward Blackdeer. The group travelled to North Dakota to deliver supplies to the camp and show support to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. The Ho-Chunk Nation tribal leaders met with the Standing Rock Sioux tribal leaders to find out if there was any way that we could be of assistance to them.

The Sacred Stone Camp is not run by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe but they are

stewards of the camp and it is costing approximately \$1000 a day for trash removal and cleaning. There were about 3000 people in the camp when the representatives travelled to North Dakota.

There are ways that you can help. You can donate items to the Sacred Stone Camp or donate to the legal defense of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. You can see updates on the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe website at <http://standingrock.org/>. You can also start helping by reducing your carbon footprint. Conserve fuel and water.



Food and supplies amassed in the Tribal Office Building cafeteria and along the sidewalk outside, ready to be loaded on trucks and a trailer.



Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland, Rep. David Greendeer and Rep. Greg Blackdeer meet with Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Chairman Dave Archambault II (center, white shirt) at the Sacred Stone Camp.



Taking supplies to the Sacred Stone Camp are (from left) Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Greg Blackdeer, Rep. Henning Garvin, Cody Shisler, Edward Blackdeer, Don Ford, President Wilfrid Cleveland, and Collin Price.

HCN Plaza

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new partnership strengthens the decades-long relationship we've had with the University and offers access along with opportunities to engage and partner on initiatives and projects that are meaningful to the University and the Nation," said Collin Price, Office of the President public relations specialist. "Together, we will host diversity and inclusion forums to educate student athletes on the important and rich culture of Madison's first inhabitants, Ho-Chunks or 'People of the Big Voice,'" Price said. "Another pillar of the partnership is its focus on the youth. Collaborating on existing youth initiatives and creating new ones will be impactful for the youth and their families."

- Highlights of the designation include:
- Ho-Chunk Nation Plaza
 - Showcasing Ho-Chunk culture at Badgers events
 - Powwow at Camp Randall
 - Diversity and Inclusion Forums
 - Bringing youth initiatives to tribal communities

Editorial: Contest powwows or Traditional powwows

Marlon WhiteEagle, Editor

The Ho-Chunk Nation sponsors at least four powwows per year: Memorial Day Powwow, Mitchell Red Cloud Day Powwow, and Labor Day Powwow in Black River Falls, and Neesh-la Powwow in Baraboo. In years past, all but the Mitchell Red Cloud Day, which is held on July 4, used to be contest powwows.

Hosting a contest powwows over traditional powwows are highly debatable. I think the contest powwows are more enjoyable to be at. Sure there are politics of the contest, but every contest is the same way. Competition will drive all participants to do better in their art of beadwork, feather work, dance and song.

Making a nice set of bustles, beadwork, a colorful roach, or a great looking shawl, applique dress, and eagle feather fan takes time and concentration to construct. Some folks still pay attention to appropriate clan colors or designs. All of this thought promotes family generational interaction through the passing cultural knowledge.

Dancing can be considered an art form. Dancing with rhythm and in step is an innate attribute and a natural thing. Contest dancing brings out each dancers best moves. The dancer has to be conditioned and physically fit to last four push-ups. Dancers also have to know how to dance to different types of dances and songs.

Powwow singing is also an art form. Learning songs and being able to sing them in a manner to make people want to dance is a natural talent. Many singers compose songs, which takes thought and time. Probably have to listen to hours of other songs to find a melody

that'll work. At traditional powwows, each dancer gets paid money per session. So regardless of how many hours it took to make your outfit, you'll get day pay. Is the qualm with money distribution? Do we want more Ho-Chunks paid at powwows?

To spice things up at the last Labor Day traditional powwow, there were a handful of "specials" where contests were held. Why not just go all out and do a contest?

I do go to traditional powwows for the social aspect, but you can notice a lack of excitement when you attend. I think that's why this contests emerge from within the powwow committees.

I'm sure food and craft vendors like to set up where there's more foot traffic. Traditional powwows get a good crowd, but I think contest powwows are more fruitful for vendors.

Is this the commercialization of our culture?

If you pay a head staff to be there, that's already commercializing the powwow. Dancers get paid to dance. Traditional powwows are more commercialized than contest powwows if it goes how many people are paid. I see contest powwows as awarding those who dance, sing, and work on their craft more for their efforts.

People seems to associate the powwows with casino and how the powwow crowd will stay at the hotel, eat in the casino, and gamble at the table or machines. The powwow isn't a standalone cultural event. We always want more people in our casinos.

Historically, the evolution of dance categories are associated with demands of native showmanship. Natives danced

at Wild West shows and World's Fairs as a means to earn income. What came from there is the fancy dance style.

Should our world famous Ho-Chunk basket makers, who sell their baskets, be frowned upon like all the contest powwow dancers and singers? They are commercializing our culture just the same; for a profit.

If the qualm isn't about money distribution, but about sacredness. Like anything, it's only as sacred as you make it. You can dance or sing your heart at either type of powwow. It's an express of one's self. It's more likely to happen at a contest powwow.

Herusga ceremonies or gatherings used to involve competitions of foot or horse racing for prizes. Contest powwows encompass the spirit of ceremonies of old. Competition is always good.

Other competitions the Ho-Chunk Nation sponsors are the March Madness basketball tournament, a couple softball tournaments, and most recently a fight night in Wittenberg. In these events, other tribes dominate and take home the large cash prize.

One of the more important factors of all of this competition is that we invite different tribes to join us and share what we have to offer. Visiting tribes bring good feelings and blessings. If they win a dance competition and wear a winner's jacket at other powwows, interest of others to come to Ho-Chunk territory builds.

All of our powwows have, at one time or another, been considered among the best powwows to attend. It would be nice to return to those glorious days.

Healthy habits for healthy babies

Smokefree.gov

It is exciting celebrating the good news that you are pregnant! You are doing all the right things for a healthy pregnancy like eating healthy and getting extra sleep. The one health habit that can make a world of difference for you and your unborn child is to stop smoking. Below are some of the myths...and the facts, associated with smoking during pregnancy

Myth #1: I smoked during my last pregnancy and had a healthy baby, so this baby will be healthy too.

Fact: Every time you smoke during pregnancy, you put your baby's health at risk. If you smoked and had a healthy pregnancy in the past that does not mean your next one will be healthy, too.

Myth #2: I am three months pregnant. There is no point in stopping now. The damage is done.

Fact: There are benefits to quitting smoking at any stage of your pregnancy. If you quit now, your risk of having a low birth weight baby will be similar to that of a non-smoker. Quitting now also increases the chances your baby's lungs will work well.

Myth #3: There is nothing wrong with having a small baby.

Fact: Low birth weight babies are more likely to have serious health problems than normal weight babies. These problems can affect your baby's health as a toddler or

as an adult. Smoking during pregnancy increases the chances of having a low birth weight baby.

Myth #4: Smoking relaxes me, and being relaxed is better for me and my baby.

Fact: You may feel calmer when smoking, but the results inside your body are quite the opposite. Smoking speeds up your heart rate and increases your blood pressure. Every puff of a cigarette also increases the carbon monoxide in your bloodstream, making less oxygen available to your baby.

Myth #5: Quitting smoking will be too stressful on my baby.

Fact: Continuing to smoke during pregnancy harms your baby. Quitting smoking does not put extra stress on your baby. Quitting smoking is one of the best things that you can do for your health and your baby's health during development in the womb and after it is born. By quitting smoking, you will be protecting your infant from the dangers of secondhand smoke and reducing the risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

Myth #6: Smoking fewer cigarettes during pregnancy is good enough.

Fact: There is no safe level of smoking. Even a few cigarettes a day means harmful chemicals will reach your baby and damage your health. It is never too late to quit. Quitting at any time during pregnancy is likely to reduce

the bad effects of smoking on your baby.

Myth #7: If I stop smoking, then I'll gain too much weight.

Fact: Many women are afraid of gaining weight when they quit smoking. If this sounds like you, pregnancy might actually be a good time to quit smoking. Gaining weight is normal and expected as part of a healthy pregnancy. Increasing the number of calories you eat during your pregnancy is both normal and healthy because it helps you get the calories, vitamins, and minerals that you and your baby need. Talk to your doctor to determine how much weight gain is healthy for you and your baby.

Myth #8: The only way to quit smoking is cold turkey.

Fact: There are other ways to quit smoking besides cold turkey. Pregnant women do

have options to boost their chances of becoming and staying smoke free. Pregnant women who are considering quitting smoking should talk to their doctor before using any medications, including any "herbal products" from health food stores. More research is needed before we can say for sure whether medications that help you quit smoking are safe and effective for pregnant women. But this does not mean that pregnant women cannot get help quitting smoking.

For more information about pregnancy and medicines, visit womenshealth.gov.

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First Breath which is a smoking reduction /cessation program for any pregnant woman who has recently quit smoking or wants to quit smoking.

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Alkhader to join Ho-Chunk Clinic dental staff

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Health Care will be better equipped to handle the dental needs, thanks to another dentist joining the dental staff.

Dr. Feras Alkhader B.D.S. will be coming onboard to the Ho-Chunk Clinic in Black River Falls on September 19 and will begin seeing patients on September 26.

Services provided by Alkhader will be extractions, crowns, limited root canals, general dentistry, dentures and partials, and night guards.

Alkhader received his degree in Pakistan and most recently has been practicing dentistry with Aspen Dental in West Bend, Wisconsin.

He joins the dental practice, along with Dr. Doug Peterson, at the Ho-Chunk Health Care Clinic.



Dr. Feras Alkhader will begin taking dental patients on September 26.

Besides the two dental specialists, an endodontist attends to patients once a month at the clinic.

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Green recognized with state award for her role in child safety

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Candice “Wiiha” Green received one of the biggest surprises of her life on August 25.

She received an award for her program as Child Passenger Safety Program of the Year at the 42nd Annual Wisconsin Governor’s Conference on Highway Safety in Green Bay.

The award was a total surprise to Green. She didn’t even know she had been nominated.

“I was just there, attending the convention, when my name was called. I was shocked,” she said. She was a presenter at the conference and her supervisor Rob Voss previously nominated her for the award.

Green is the Injury Prevention Program coordinator with the Ho-Chunk Nation Injury Prevention Program. The program consistently distributes car seats and participates in safety events throughout the state. The program reaches out to Tribal Head Start, Youth Services program and Tribal Women Infant Child (WIC) Program with child car seats and education.

Each year Wisconsin Information Network for Safety recognizes an outstanding CPS Technician, CPS Instructor and CPS Program of the year that have been nominated by their peers and

co-workers. The awards are in honor of Beth Kindschi of Monroe, Wisconsin, who is a lead instructor and pioneer in the field of child passenger safety in Wisconsin and on a national level.

With her program, Green holds two educational events per year at each of the Ho-Chunk Head Start facilities, one at the beginning of the school year and another in February.

“I touch on everything related to motor vehicle safety, such as using seat belts, distracted driving and proper use of child car seats,” Green said.

She is working in many communities, but she also tries to be at many public events.

Since she has been working in the department, she has been part of many educational programs to promote vehicular safety. One of those events is a mock crash in April 2016 at Black River Falls High School, which included between 300 and 400 students. It was a collaborated effort of the Black River Falls EMTs, the Mayo Health Systems of Eau Claire and her department.

“People know my department for giving out child car seats, but in 2016 and 2017, another emphasis will be to campaign and educate to lessen or prevent distracted driving,” Green said.

So, what she has been doing is gathering data for her study for the Ho-Chunk Nation.

“The numbers I have collected show that there is a steady increase in distracted driving, mainly people using their smart phones,” she said.

To collect her data, she sets up a station where she can closely observe motorists, a different location each time, and count the number of people talking on their phones or texting. She can be found in highly visible areas around town at all times of the day, but mostly starting very early in the morning.

The grant is asking for such information to determine the trend, both before and after an informational campaign.

“But, in the meantime, I am still giving out car seats,” she said. Many of the car seats are given out to parents of children attending Ho-Chunk Head Start facilities. In total, her department gives out between 60 and 80 child car seats per year.

Green also serves as president of the Greater Black River Falls Area Safety Council, is in charge of the Injury Prevention Coalition, and participates in the Children’s Coalition.

One of her projects is the billboard along Highway 54 between the Tribal Office Building and Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls. The billboard shows a picture of



Candice “Wiiha” Green earned an award for her program as Child Passenger Safety Program of the Year.

Bronson Koenig and offers the message not to text and drive.

She will have a display at General Council and will offer a Wisconsin Badger T shirt to the first 200 participants to fill out a questionnaire that is part of the “# Just Drive” campaign.

Motor vehicle crashes continue to be the number one cause of death and fatalities of children. Child Passenger Safety advocates promote the safe transportation of children by using child restraints and educating parent/caregivers on how to use them properly.

Neesh-la Pow Wow attracts competitive dancers

Tim Wohlers, Staff Writer

Competition brings out the best in everyone. And at the end of last month, it brought out some of the best competitive dancers in the area. These dancers faced off in the arena at the yearly Neesh-la Pow Wow in the Wisconsin Dells, where they competed for prize money. Check out this year’s talented drum groups and prize dancers!



First step taken to establish new District One Community Center

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A new District One Community Center is on its way to finally becoming reality.

Ho-Chunk Nation officials broke ground for its construction on Friday, September 2, on its intended grounds in the new Wazee subdivision near the Mission area in Black River Falls.

Plans for a new center had been discussed for years, but now the final go ahead has been given. Now the funding for the construction has been approved.

The \$15 million facility will be the primary base for Ho-Chunk Youth Services, which has been at the former bingo hall in Sandpillow since the 1990s. It also will have room for public activities, such as wakes and funerals, which now postpone or cancel youth activities at the present facility because of a lack of space.



President Wilfrid Cleveland speaks at the opening of the District 1 Community Center ground-breaking ceremony.

“The community members got together. There was nothing in place for the youth back then. The members put together to change the old bingo hall into a youth center,” said Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland.

The bingo hall conversion was always a temporary measure, said Cleveland.

“Back then they were already talking about a larger community center,” he said.

“Seeing this beginning to happen, I have so many feelings when I look forward to doing things for the next generation.”

District 1 Legislator Greg Blackdeer said that the groundbreaking is a “joyous event” which will serve both the youth and community members for many years.

“It’s been a long, uphill battle,” Blackdeer said. “We have a debt of gratitude to the legislators to get this accomplished. Without their support, we wouldn’t be here today.”

One of the biggest advocates for the new community center is Susan Waukon, a former legislator who had the passion to see completion.

“Plans changed every other week, we had community meetings and there was much discussion about including a (swimming) pool,” Blackdeer said.

The new facility will have areas for community education, youth services and athletics and will provide separate spaces as needed for events and programming.

The youth center will have classrooms, office space, a kitchen area and a multi-purpose gymnasium, and there is a tournament size gym with locker rooms, a fitness center and running track for athletic programming.

There also are computer labs, sewing rooms, classrooms and offices and meeting areas for community education. A large lobby area can handle the influx of people coming into the facility. A kitchen will be constructed for the Youth Center portion and another larger commercial-type kitchen will be provided for large community events.

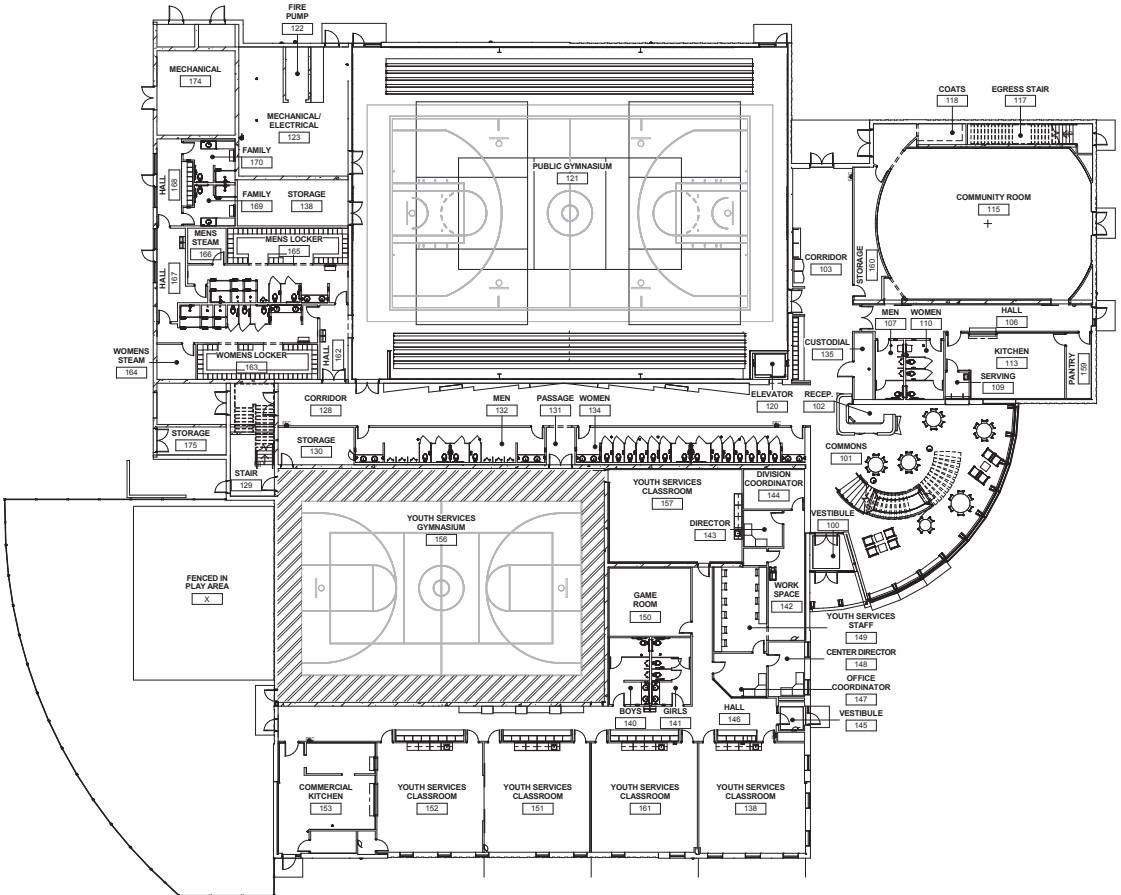
Alyssa Campbell of I & S Group, the architectural company, she was pleased to be part of the experience.

During their work, they identified three separate entities and their needs, Campbell said. The groups involved are the community, youth and athletics. They talked about how each of the groups could function without being disruptive to the other groups regardless of schedule.

“We’re really excited to



Taking a shovel to begin the new Community Center, (from left) Rep. Greg Blackdeer, Alyssa Campbell, Jason Recob, Lisa Flick, Rep. Lori Pettibone, President Wilfrid Cleveland, and Sadie Garvin get ready to turn some dirt.



The blueprints offer a view of the proposed structure, which will offer plenty of room and separation for Youth Services, public activities and athletics.

bring your passion and take this dream and make it a reality,” said Jason Recob of Miron Construction, the company that has been selected for construction the project. A starting date has not been established yet, but the project should take approximately 14 months, Recob said.

Recob, who also was involved with Project Forward, said the new Community Center will be in a beautiful setting and it will be a beautiful building. He said it was a great project to combine both the needs and the culture into the building.



The evolution of Southland

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation’s Southland Center has been thriving under the new management of the Indoor Sports Management Group (ISMG). ISMG is starting its 3rd year of their management agreement with the Ho-Chunk Nation. ISMG has been in the business of consulting, developing, owning and managing indoor and outdoor athletic facilities since 2002.

A big renovation took place once the management company began managing the Lynwood property in 2014.

The renovations included: adding new turf, installing 6 new batting cages, installing 4 basketball/volleyball courts, general painting, an addition of new kitchen equipment, new projector screen, new patio, new signage and improvements to the landscape. Southland Center General Manager Annie Byrne states, “The transition has been remarkable since the day we walked in to now. It’s a brand new facility.”

The facility offers 41,255 square feet of turf floor arena, 70’ batting cages, 4 hardwood basketball courts, new concession stands, vending machines, restaurant, bar, free

Wi-Fi, 1200 parking spots, PA system and security system, meeting and event space, and a UPS Access Point.

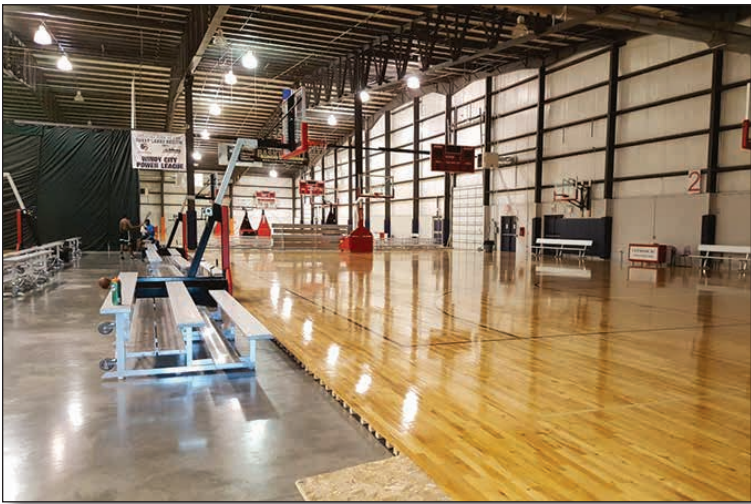
The facility in terms of finances is extremely stable at this point. There are approximately 500-1000 clients that use the facility for a multitude of functions which include: volleyball, basketball, martial arts, gymnastics, dance, wrestling, baseball, softball, soccer, football, lacrosse, dog shows, volleyball tournaments, birthday parties, retirement parties, class reunions, funeral dinners, after season parties, weddings and bridal showers.

One of the keys to success of the Southland Center has been the strong relationship with the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitors Bureau. Ms. Byrne is on the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitors Bureau’s Board of Directors. The customer’s experience and word of mouth has been a very influential tool of gaining new customers at the Southland Center. The Southland Center has recently been named as one of the “10 Top Multi-use Indoor Facilities in Illinois” in the Sports Planning Guide.

Things are looking up for this facility and the community has seemed to adapt to the changes in Lynwood. The



Southland Center General Manager Annie Byrne and Southland Center Assistant General Manager Brandon Denton.



Wooden floors adorn the basketball courts at the Southland Center.

facility has had a strained past but today is a new day and we have a new facility. There are no park systems in Lynwood and this fact is our gain and an advantage for the facility. The space is versatile and has a large parking lot which is a huge asset for the Lynwood property.

Google has completed a virtual tour for the Southland Center website. The Below Zero Production Company was commissioned to create

a promotional video which is available on the Southland Center website. The web address for the Southland Center is mysouthlandcenter.com. The link to the Sports Planning Guide article “10 Top Multi-use Indoor Facilities in Illinois” is also on the website.

If you are ever in the Chicago area you should check out the new facility. It is located at 10 Southland Drive, Lynwood, IL 60411.

Ho-Chunk Nation donates to Bruce’s Legacy

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation donated \$5000 to the Bruce’s Legacy organization on Friday, September 2, 2016 at Wazee Sports Center in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Bruce’s Legacy is a search and rescue organization for drowned victims. Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Representative Greg Blackdeer met with members of Bruce’s Legacy which included Keith Cormican, Sandi Blackdeer and Beth Drost for the check presentation. The Ho-Chunk Na-

tion made a donation last year to the organization as well.

Keith Cormican stated, “I want to thank the Ho-Chunk Nation, their continued support will allow Bruce’s Legacy to help with our mission. We want to give all families the best chance to recover their family members that have drowned. It requires a lot of financial commitment to have this equipment. When we pull up onto a missing person scene we can offer the latest technology to finding their loved one. We do not charge for this service and ask only for donations.”



L-R: Sandi Blackdeer, Rep. Greg Blackdeer, Keith Cormican, Beth Darst

The Ho-Chunk Nation donates to Jackson County Veterans Park



Merlin Anderson, Ray Ransom, Dave Hale, Dennis Moe, Irv Caldwell, HCN Rep. Greg Blackdeer, Dan Getchell, Dan Wilke, Gavin Johnson, Charlie Hizer, Jay Eddy

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation donated \$4511 to the Jackson County Veterans Park on Friday, September 2, 2016 in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Representative Greg Blackdeer met with Jackson County Veterans Park Development Committee Members for a check

presentation. The committee has been raising funds to pave the parking lot to make the park wheelchair accessible. They raised \$24,388.72 toward the project and the Ho-Chunk Nation donated the additional funds to finish the project.

Jackson Co. Veterans Park Adjunct Secretary Gavin Johnson mentioned, “We spent 10 months raising funds. We did everything

from brat sales to rummage sales. We had a lot of private donations and individual donations. We also had donations from other entities--every Legion Post in the county gave us something. We are very, very, very grateful for the donation. It was nice to have all the funds for the project when it started. I’m ecstatically happy about the donation. We won’t forget it.”



The Ho-Chunk Nation sponsors 30th Annual Indian Summer Festival

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation made a \$14,630 contribution to the Indian Summer Festival as a sponsorship. The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature donated \$10,000 and the Ho-Chunk Nation Business Department contributed \$4,630 from the Pepsi Fund. Ho-Chunk Nation District 4 Representative Shelby Visintin met with the Indian Summer Festival Board of Directors at their board meeting on September 8, 2016 to present the check to the organization. The festival was held on September 9-11, 2016 in Milwaukee,

Wisconsin. This was the 30th Anniversary for the festival. The Executive Director of the Indian Summer Festival Judy Dordel stated, “Indian Summer Festival celebrated 30 years of American Indian tradition, history and culture at Milwaukee’s Henry Maier Festival Park honored by sponsorship of the Ho-Chunk Nation, great weather and community support. Thank you for your support and to Sherry Byhre for bringing Ho-Chunk traditions to the Living Cultures of the Great Lakes area at the festival. It is an honor to work with the Ho-Chunk Nation!”



Victor Zamora, Carrie Gleba, Judy Dordel, John Warren, Jo Ann Schedler, Sue Koney, Joshua Little, Marie Collom, Jesse Waukau, Representative Shelby Visintin, Jim Warren, Sherry Byhre, Carla Menominee, Nate Nez, Diane Amour, Marie Elioff

Phil Vassar plays to full house at HCG-Wisconsin Dells

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

Country music fans love concerts. And the casino loves to bring people in the doors. So it only made sense for HCG-Wisconsin Dells to invite country music artist Phil Vassar to perform at a concert in the upper ballroom for a night of good, country music. The event took place on September 3, and included a meet-and-greet after the show.

“We’re happy to be playing for these guys,” Vassar said after the show. “Casinos are a lot of fun.”

Opening the show was Nashville’s Restless Heart, a country music band of which Vassar himself is a huge fan. Many came to see the popular band from Tennessee. But the vast majority of concertgoers were there for country singer/

songwriter Phil Vassar.

“You always get a good crowd here,” Vassar’s guitarist Jeff Smith said. “You just get a whole variety of different people.”

At the concert, Vassar played mostly original music that he composed himself. However, he also treated fans to some classics such as Billy Joel’s “Piano Man.” These American favorites brought the crowd to its feet, and then up to the stage.

“It was a great crowd,” Vassar said. “We had a great time today.”

Unlike most venues, the casino permitted the audience to come right up next to the stage during the concert. Vassar’s band found this to be much more fulfilling than shows in which crowd members are confined to their seats.

“It really makes the show,” Smith said “On one side of the stage, there was so many people just standing up and dancing. And if you looked out, there was people in the back standing up. There was people on my side standing

up. And they’d come up to the front. When you see that, it makes you enjoy it more. You just kind of feed off of that.”

By the final song, the entire crowd was on its feet. After the show, band members ex-


pressed their gratitude – as well as an interest in returning for another concert at the casino.

“It’s really cool to get to do something like this,” Vassar said. “Today’s been a great day.”



Phil Vassar serenades the audience on his piano.

2016 Adult Punt, Pass, and Kick Contest



Contact Melissa or Toni: 715-284-0905

Date: Saturday, October 8, 2016

Time: 11:00 am

District 1 Community Center

Adult Punt, Pass, and Kick Rules:

1. Each Player will get one Punt, one Pass, and one Kick
2. Attempts will be measured by Distance and Accuracy.
3. Attempts will be measured along a straight line. Your distance will be measured then subtracted by the distance away from the straight line.
4. Each attempt will be added for your final score.
5. Rules subject to change.

Categories Open to all Competitors:		Prize Money for:
Men's 18-25	Women's 18-35	First Place: \$100.00
Men's 26-45	Woman's 36 and Older	Second Place: \$75.00
Men's 46 and Older		Third Place: \$50.00

No Drugs or Alcohol allowed. Anyone suspected or caught under the influence of Drugs or Alcohol will be asked to leave! No Child Care provided. Children must be supervised at ALL times.

*Rain Date October 15, 2016 at noon.

Ho-Chunk Gaming Tomah donates \$1,000 to Wisconsin Cranberry Discovery Center

Tris Harris
Sr. Mgr of Public Relations
| Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls & Tomah

Cranberries are a big part of the Ho-Chunk Nation's history and the Wisconsin Cranberry Discovery Center (WCDC) located in Warrens, WI highlights that in their Cranberry Museum in the downstairs portion of their center. There is so much to learn about this little red fruit and there is nowhere better to learn about it than from this center and Ho-Chunk Gaming Tomah wants to ensure that the WCDC is able to keep preserving and promoting the history of the cranberry.

The cranberry is Wisconsin's number one fruit crop and the WCDC promotes it

through their museum tours and store May 1st-Oct. 31st. and on their website 24/7. Tours can be taken 7 days a week during their open season, however, if you will be in the area during their off season, you can request one by contacting them. There is also the availability to tour a local cranberry farm not far from the center, we recommend that option.

The museum will take you through the history of cranberry farming throughout Wisconsin. There are an evolution of cranberry farming tools, videos that show the progression of farming, interactive and hands-on exhibits that help to keep children interested. You will see all the uses of the cranberries, as the

Ho-Chunks used to use them for everything from a food source, to a dye, to bait for hunting and many things in between.

To find out more about cranberries, please stop in at the Wisconsin Cranberry Discovery Center 204 Main St. in Warrens, online at www.discovercranberries.com or call (608)378-4878. Cranfest is the last weekend in September and the perfect time to stop in and when you do, be sure to buy a scoop of cranberry ice cream, a cranberry brat or hamburger, a jar of cranberry salsa, cranberry candies or one of the many cranberry baked goods, you won't be disappointed!



L-R: WCDC Board Member Nodji Van Wychen, Board President Jerry Bach, HCG-BRF/Tomah Sr. Mgr. of PR Tris Harris, Board Member Lisl Detlefsen, Board Member Jim Peterson and Board Member Jason Krultz.

Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls Groundbreaking

Submitted by Tris Harris
Sr. Mgr of Public Relations,
Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls & Tomah
As part of the Ho-Chunk

Nation's \$153 million casino expansion project involving three casinos, titled "Project Forward", the Black River Falls location announced its

groundbreaking event which will take place on Friday, September 23rd, 2016. The ceremony will start at 2pm in the Bingo Hall and move outside


for the ground breaking portion of the event.


The expansion to the property will include a 120 room Hotel, larger non-smoking gaming area, high stakes area, Buffet renovation and increase the seating to 192, update of the entire exterior façade, new hotel main entrance and lobby.

The September 23rd ceremony will include Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland, Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls Execu-

tive Manager Greg Garvin, along with a few other speakers from the Nation, Miron Construction and Hnedek Bobo Group.

Expansions and renovations will simultaneously take place during the next 18 months at the Ho-Chunk casinos in Wisconsin Dells and Wittenberg. At least 100 new jobs will be created between the locations adding to the existing 3,400 employee Ho-Chunk Nation workforce.





GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY



SEPTEMBER 23, 2016 | 2:00PM

HO-CHUNK FORWARD

HO-CHUNK GAMING BLACK RIVER FALLS
GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

WHEN: 2:00PM FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2016
WHERE: HO-CHUNK GAMING BLACK RIVER FALLS
W9010 STATE HIGHWAY 54, BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615

For questions or more information, please contact Tris Harris at 800-657-4621 ext. 4112



October is
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH

BREAK THE SILENCE END THE VIOLENCE

SCHEDULED WALKS


Burns Park, La Crosse, WI
10/3/16 6:00-8:00PM

House of Wellness, Baraboo, WI
10/13/16 6:00-8:00PM

SAVE THE DATE!

1ST ANNUAL
5K Color Fun Run/Walk
10/22/16, Black River Falls, WI
(Watch for more information)

For more information contact:
Ho-Chunk Nation Domestic Abuse Division
(715) 284-2622



Students recognized for work in Middle School Summer School

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Students of the Ho-Chunk Nation Middle School Summer School were awarded their certificates at the End of Summer School Event on Monday, August 22 at the Skyline Golf Course.

Students receiving their certificates were Neejana Armstrong, Derek Deluna, Brianna Deluna, Gayland Rave III, Jefferson “Sonny” North, Oakland St. John, and Adriana Tom.

The Middle School Summer School was a collaboration of the HCN Department of Education that took the lead in this endeavor, Black River Falls Title VII committee and school district staff, and HCN Social Services, Child and Family Services, Resource Center. There was additional assistance by the HCN Youth Services Program with use of one of their 14-passenger vans.

The Middle School Summer School was financed by Title

VII funding.

There were four teachers from the school district, Mike Shepard, Stephanie Ringsred, Eli Youngthunder, and Andy Osegard. The summer school was held at the BRF Middle School so that the younger students would become familiar with the building and when school is back in session.

There was a t-shirt design contest, with the design of the

Medicine Wheel chosen as the winner.

The students worked on loom beadwork, and the boys were provided with a completed shirt that had no ribbons or designs. The girls were given waksik waje’s (dresses) with no additional ribbon or lace. The students added all those ribbons and

designs themselves, exactly the way they wanted. These were given to them and were worn at the End of Summer School Event.



Ho-Chunk Nation School-Community Relations (SCR) Division Important Deadlines and Conferences for 2016-2017

July	Fiscal Year begins July 1 st
August	JOM Open Enrollment Begins August 1 st BRF, Nekoosa, Port Edwards, Wisconsin Rapids New Teacher Professional Development
September	JOM Student Count JOM Education Plans, Expenditure Lists, Election of Officers
October	NIEA Convention, October 5-8, 2016, Reno, NV
December	Winter Summit, Madison or Tomah JOM Grant Review
March	JOM Grant Submission
April	NJOMA Conference 2017, April 24-26, Albuquerque, NM BRF New Teacher Professional Development
May	WIEA Conference in Minocqua, WI JOM Needs Assessments Deadline for PreK-12 Computer Purchase Requests is May 15 th
June	PreK-13 Grant Deadline is June 15 th Fiscal Year Ends June 30 th

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at SCR@ho-chunk.com.

PreK-12 Information: www.ho-chunknation.com/prek-12
JOM Information: www.ho-chunknation.com/education/school-community-relations/johnson-omalley

SCR Staff Members:

Bethany Redbird: School Community Relations Director
Melissa Porter: School Community Relations Specialist
Chavo Stumblingbear: School Community Relations Specialist
Jessica McMillan: School Community Relations Specialist
Melody Gesicki: School Community Relations Specialist
Angela Marek: PreK-12 Grant Specialist
Hannah Myers: PreK-12 Grant Specialist
Darcy Olson: PreK-12 Grant Specialist



Ho-Chunk Nation Education Department, School Community Relations Division, Phone: (800)362-4476, Fax (715)284-1760

September Elders Birthdays



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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2 Christine Steeples | 16 Judith Whitehorse |
| Betty La Mere | Jeffery Lowe |
| Roderick Greengrass | 17 Mary Houghton |
| 3 John Perry Jr. | Wayne Falcon |
| Isabelle Mallory | Josiah Thunder |
| Bertha Gleason | Roger Thundercloud |
| 4 Mary Jacobs | Steven Thundercloud |
| Roger Youngthunder | Marsha Mahoney |
| 5 Alvena Foss | 18 Luanne Macomber |
| 6 Arnold Darnell | 19 Donna Sommers |
| William Lowe | George Stacy |
| Carla Kingswan | 20 Susan Mallory |
| 7 Bernice Blackdeer | Jeanine Heffner |
| James Whitehorse | 21 Ernst Naquayouma III |
| Norbert Dick | 22 Georgia Lonetree |
| James Lincoln | 25 Martha Angell |
| Kathleen Massouri | Mary Dumas |
| 8 Luther Lonetree | 26 Jean Day |
| Douglas Johnson | Libby Fairchild |
| 9 Sonja Walker | Linda Gleason-Strupp |
| Twila Garvin | Kimberly Baker |
| Pamela Winneshiek | 27 Herman Decorah |
| Dr. Jose Contreras | Guadalupe Salinas |
| 11 Celestine Contreras | 28 Anne Mallory |
| 12 Adam Hall | Sheryl Winneshiek Ward |
| 13 Bernice Humphrey | Linda McHugh |
| Jonette Pettibone | Kenneth Monegar |
| 14 Gale White | 29 Henry Swan |
| Glen White | Darlene Greengrass |
| 15 Roy Garvin Jr | Deforrest Funmaker |
| William Winneshiek | Marilyn Whiterabbit |
| 16 Cecelia Kraus | 30 Elaine Whiterabbit |
| Terry Payer | Blaine Twinn |
| Faye Begay | |
| Clarice Jackson | |



Students earn their clubs for the year at Thundercloud Golf Academy

Submitted by Quentin Thundercloud

The Thundercloud Youth Golf Academy once again had a very successful season. The purpose of the academy is to give education to those youth that are interested in golf.

Our program begins with an applications for the youth. In the application are questions that bring out their desire to show their accomplishments, educational goals, and family support.

With these thoughts in mind, we select the students based upon their interview and applications. The family is also a key to selection of the students. When the parents support the activities of the child or children, we have success.

A date for the instructions to begin, time, and place is agreed upon and then we are ready to begin. The first activity is the swing. The swing is the most important instructional activity in golf. This also helps in preparation to selecting their custom fit golf clubs.

One of our return students this year, Ray Goodbear was a graduate from the academy in 2014. Anyone who has graduated from the academy may come anytime and continue to learn and sharpen their skills at no costs. Milanni and Maliya Khlap are students for this year. Melissa is their mother and she is very supportive of her children.

The agreed location was at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids, which was half way to travel for both of us.

Classes began the end of June and were completed the middle of August. The students completed the requirements of the program to graduate. Graduation was held on August 10 at the Ridges Golf club.

I want thank all those person who help support this most important youth program this year. The fundraising is an essential part of our program and we thank everyone who contributed this year. We look forward to next year.

Hit' Straight!



Participating in the Thundercloud Golf Academy this year are (from left) Ray Goodbear, Milanni Khlap, Quentin Thundercloud, Melissa Khlap, and Maliya Khlap.

END OF THE YEAR

GOLF

TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 25th

S30 / GOLFER MUST HAVE MEMBERSHIP DINNER TO FOLLOW PAID BY H.A.G.A.

Pine Hills Golf Course

Gresham, WI

CONTACT PERSON: WILBERT CLEVELAND (608) 343-2353

HCN 19th Annual All Nations Labor Day Softball Tournament



MTE Gold won 1st Place.



Josh Webster Memorial won 2nd Place.



SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, State of Wisconsin and
Jarred James Ness, Petitioner, v. Courtney Dianne Melocarro, Respondent.
Case : CS 16-66

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Courtney Dianne Melocarro

You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled child support matter. This legal notice of the *Petition for Child Support* is now served upon you by publication. A hearing shall be held no less than twenty-five (25) days after service of this *Summons* is completed. *See* CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE, 4 HCC § 7.28a. You are hereby notified that **the Court may proceed in your absence and enter a default judgement without your participation if you do not appear at the hearing or respond to the *Petition* within sixty (60) days of the date of publication.** *Id.*, § 7.28d(i). To properly submit a response, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. The response must include a completed financial disclosure, which shall be confidential and available only to the parties and the Court, as well as an authorization for the release of financial records. *Id.*, § 7.28e, g.

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court's mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

SUMMONS
(Second Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Jarred James Ness, Petitioner, v. Courtney Diane Melocarro, Respondent.
Case No.: CS 16-66

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED PETITIONER:
Jarred James Ness

You are hereby information that you have been named a petitioner in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. *See* CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE, 4 HCC § 7.36. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order.** *Id.*, § 7.36(b)(v).

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House of Wellness Presents:

Co-Ed Tri-Sports
Tournament

Sunday. Sept. 25th 2016

House of Wellness Baraboo, WI

SOFTBALL

VOLLEYBALL

TUG OF WAR

1st Place - \$500 , 2nd Place - \$400 , 3rd - \$300

Call (608)355-5155 X5506 for event details & tournament rules.

Team registration deadline: Sept. 19th 2016.

Maximum 8 teams & Minimum 6 required.

Entry Fee: \$200 per Team. Cash payment only.

House of Wellness Fitness & Aquatic Center S2845 White Eagle Rd. Baraboo, WI 53913

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SUMMONS
(Second Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Housing, Plaintiff(s), v. Theresa Hindsley, Defendant(s).
Case : CV 16-18

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):
Theresa Hindsley

You are hereby informed that you have been named a defendant in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Complaint* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Complaint* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the published issuance of this *Summons* in . *See Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rules 5(C)(1)(f), 6(A). Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record and provide the Court with a *Certificate of Service*. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can result in a default judgment being entered against you.** *Id.*, Rule 54.

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SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Housing, Plaintiff(s), v. Kennesha Ruby Funmaker, Defendant(s).
Case : CV 16-20

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):
Kennesha Ruby Funmaker

You are hereby informed that you have been named a defendant in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Complaint* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Complaint* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the published issuance of this *Summons* in. *See Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rules 5(C)(1)(f), 6(A). Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record and provide the Court with a *Certificate of Service*. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can result in a default judgment being entered against you.** *Id.*, Rule 54.

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SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : T.J.B., DOB 11/24/2015
Case : PA 16-11

TO THE NATURAL MOTHER, POTENTIAL FATHER, GUARDIAN, HO-CHUNK NATION CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY, OR ADULT CHILD WHOSE PATERNITY WAS NEVER ESTABLISHED: Tyrel Boyd

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in this paternity action. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for Paternity* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named child is pending in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court, and an adjudication will be made.

You have twenty (20) days from the date of the second publication to respond to the *Petition for Paternity*, failure to do so will cause the Court to proceed without your participation. An *Answer* (response) shall be filed with the court at the address given below. The Court shall convene a *Paternity Hearing* in accordance with HOCĀK NATION CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE 4 HCC § 7.19.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **1:30** _ on the **20th** day of **October 2016** for the following purpose: ***Paternity Hearing***. Pursuant to HOCĀK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.35, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial. You have additionally been provided a "Notice to Respondent" that sets forth your right and defenses and provides notice of the potential of being held in contempt of court:

NOTICE – VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT. SUBPOENAS: ‘THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA SHALL SUBJECT THE PERSON FAILING TO COMPLY TO THE CONTEMPT POWER OF THE COURT.’ THE COURT MAY FIND ANY PARTY TO THIS MATTER IN CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A COURT HEARING OR FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW COURT ORDERS.

Notice to Respondent

- You have been named in a petition alleging paternity. A judgment of paternity would legally designate the child as your child, grant rights to you, create the right of inheritance for the child, obligate you to pay child support and make failure to pay child support punishable as contempt.
- You may request a genetic test which will indicate the probability that you are the father of the child. The court will order a genetic test on request from you, a designated tribal agency, or any other party to the case. Any person who refuses to take a court ordered genetic test may be punished for contempt.
- The petitioner has the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that you are the father. If a genetic test shows that you are not excluded as the father and that the statistical probability of you being the father is ninety-nine percent (99.0%) or higher, you are presumed to be the father.
- The following defenses are available to you:
 - That you were sterile or impotent at the time of conception;
 - That you did not have sexual intercourse with the mother of the child during the conception period; or
 - That another man did have sexual intercourse with the mother of the child during the conception time period.
- If you fail to appear at any stage of the proceeding, including a scheduled genetic test, the Court may find you in contempt.

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Please contact:
Karen Loewenhagen, CSW
Placement Parent Coordinator,
Ho-Chunk Nation Child and Family Services
1-855-659-8820 or
Email: PlacementHomes@ho-chunk.com



HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE
OFFICES
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
JULY 19, 2016
10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

Roll Call:
President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Vice President Darren Brinegar-P
Rep. Greg Blackdeer-P
Rep. Douglas Greengrass-P
Rep. Lori Pettibone-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Rep. David Greendeer-EX
Rep. Henning Garvin-P
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-EX
Rep. Shelby Visintin-P
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-P
Rep. Matt Mullen-P
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whit-
erabbit-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-EX
*Via Conference Call

Determination of Quorum:
Quorum is established.

Opening Prayer: President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to approve the agenda with adding Under New Business P. Resolution-Quick Passage Amendment to the Tax Code (5 HCC § 10) and to TABLE Under New Business L.-Resolution-Confirmation/Denial of Nahtanha Bellanger WhiteWing to the Position of Executive Director of Treasury; Under New Business TABLE E. Resolution-Authorization to Contribute to the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin, and F.-Resolution-Approval to Enter Into Workforce Development Program Agreement with the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin, Under District Meetings-striking District 2 Baraboo Meeting and to defer to Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to approve the July 6, 2016 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone.10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Committee Reports:
Administration Committee-July 7, 2016

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the July 7, 2016 Administration Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Unfinished Business:
Draft Debarment Law and Moratorium Update
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to TABLE the Draft Debarment Law and Moratorium Update for the next Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer.10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Fleet Vehicle Inventory-

Tina Brown, Transportation Department.
Tina Brown spoke with Ron Hanson, to make sure all vehicles are covered. The current vehicle list provided by transportation are covered by insurance. Internally, Insurance doesn’t have a process in place, although Transportation will have a process in place and that list will be provided to insurance. Tina Brown, Fleet Director is requesting that the Moratorium be lifted on the purchasing of vehicles.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer the current Fleet list and 2016-2017 Capital Fleet list to Clint Breed, Financial Examiner and Kelley Thundercloud, Budget Analyst to review and provide recommendation and to refer to the next Finance Meeting. The Finance Committee will provide recommendations on the final transportation list and this will be referred to the following Legislative Meeting on August 9, 2016 to lift the moratorium by Legislative resolution. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Rescission and Restatement of Resolution 07-06-10 K Contract Signature Authority.

Rep. Greg Blackdeer and Rep. Andrea Estebo were out of the room.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 A**, Rescission and Restatement of Resolution 07-06-10 K, Contract Signature Authority. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Shelby Visintin out of the room.
Striking Under Unfinished Business Item G-Resolution-Denial of Land Lease on the Mueller Property #439 T 2150 for Martin Little Wolf Jr. and Frances Little Wolf.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to strike Under Unfinished Business Item G.-Resolution-Denial of Land Lease on the Mueller Property #439 T 2150 for Martin Little Wolf Jr. and Frances Little Wolf. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Shelby Visintin returns. Vice President Darren Brinegar out of the room.

Resolution-Authorization for Cancellation of Lease #2237 on the Mueller Property Rescinding 9-3-97 A.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 B**, Authorization for Cancellation of Lease #2237 on the Mueller Property Rescinding 9-3-97A. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 5-0-2(Rep. Matt Mullen, Rep. Lori Pettibone) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Denial of Cancellation of Lease #2237 on the Mueller Property and Resolution-Denial of Land Lease on the Mueller Property #439 T 2150 for Martin Little Wolf Jr. and Frances Little

Wolf.
Note: No need to address resolutions.

Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease on the Mueller Property #439 T 2150 for Martin Little Wolf Jr. and Frances Little Wolf.
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 C**, Authorization of Land Lease on the Mueller Property #439 T 2150 for Martin Little Wolf Jr. and Frances Little Wolf. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. 5-0-2(Rep. Lori Pettibone, Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**
Rep. Greg Blackdeer returns. Rep. Shelby Visintin out of the room.
Resolution-Family Services Program Annual Plan and Budget for Wisconsin DHS and DCF.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 D**, Family Services Program Annual Plan and Budget for Wisconsin DHS and DCF. Second by Rep. Douglas Greengrass. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Shelby Visintin returns.
Resolution-Support for the Department of Health to Pursue an Indian Health Service Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative Grant.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 E**, Support for the Department of Health to Pursue an Indian Health Service Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative Grant. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorizing Investment Accounts with RW Baird for Diversification of the Reserve Fund Account.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to TABLE Resolution-Authorizing Investments Accounts with RW Baird for Diversification of the Reserve Fund Account until after Executive Session. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization to Place Proposed Native American Preference in Contracting (6 HCC § 3) for Forty-Five Day Public Comment.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 F**, Authorization to Place Proposed Native American Preference in Contracting (6 HCC § 3) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Rescission of Resolution 05-05-16S and Restatement of Authorization for FY 2016-17 Gaming Compact Credit and Funding Contribution Toward Ho-Chunk Nation, Wittenberg Early Childhood Education Center.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 G**, Rescission of Resolution 05-05-16S and Restatement of Authorization for FY 2016-17 Gaming Compact Credit and Funding Contribution Toward Ho-Chunk Nation, Wittenberg Early Childhood Education Center. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution-Authorization to Deduct Amounts from Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2016-17 for Contributions to Wisconsin West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) Unit.
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 H**, Authorization to Deduct Amounts from Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2016-17 for Contributions to Wisconsin West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) Unit. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Authorization to Deduct Amounts From Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2016-2017 to the Friends of the New Lisbon

Memorial Library.
MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to TABLE **Resolution-Authorization to Deduct Amounts From Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2016-2017 to the Friends of the New Lisbon Memorial Library.** Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Chippewa Indians Relief Fund Request:

Rep. Andrea Estebo returns.
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 I**, Contribution to the Bad River Tribal Relief Fund. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Authorization to Issue Legislative Recognition Citation in Recognition of Carol Rollins.
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 J**, Authorization to Issue Legislative Recognition Citation in Recognition of Carol Rollins Contributions. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution- Confirmation of Erik Lincoln as the District 2 Ethics Review Board Member.
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 K**, Confirmation of Erik Lincoln as the District 2 Ethics Review Board Member. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chicago Foundation of Women Request – Rep. Kathy Lone Tree-Whiterabbit

Due to conference call difficulties today, the item was tabled and referred to the Finance Committee.
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to refer the Chicago Foundation of Women Request to the next Finance Committee Meeting. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

North American Indigenous Games 2017 Funding Request-Rep. Lori Pettibone

MOTION by Rep. Lori Pettibone to refer the North American Indigenous Games 2017 Funding Request to the next Finance Committee Meeting. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Quick Passage Amendment to the Tax Code (5 HCC § 10).

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 L**, Quick Passage Amendment to the Tax Code (5 HCC § 10). Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 9-1 (Rep. Douglas Greengrass)-0 **MOTION CARRIED. HAND VOTE IS REQUIRED.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
MOTION by Rep. Lori Pettibone to go into Executive Session. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

11:33 a.m.
Rep. Shelby Visintin leaves the meeting at 2:30 p.m., Rep. Andrea Estebo out of the room.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to move into Open Session. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:34 p.m.
Rep. Andrea Estebo returns.
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorizing Investment Accounts with RW Baird for Diversification of the Reserve Fund Account.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to TABLE the resolution Authorizing Investments Accounts with RW Baird for Diversification of the Reserve Fund Account, until the August 9, 2016 Legislative Meeting. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Denial of Application of Nahtanha Bellanger

Whitewing to the Position of Executive Director of Department of Treasury.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 07-19-16 M**, Denial of Application of Nahtanha Bellanger Whitewing to the Position of Executive Director of Department of Treasury. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District Meetings: District 1-Black River Falls-July 13, 2016

Vice President Darren Brinegar was out of the room. Rep. David Greendeer was available by phone.
MOTION by Rep. Douglas Greengrass to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Sandi Blackdeer to have a Representative from HHCDA attend the next area meeting with their rules and regulations to see what can be done to move the resident to a nursing home. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone.

8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. Douglas Greengrass to refer to Office of the President the MOTION by Crystal Pettibone that we do not sell alcohol at any of our Whitetail Crossing Convenience Stores. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone.

8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. Douglas Greengrass to refer to Office of the President the MOTION by Martina Littlewolf to have President Cleveland contact Greg Garvin, the General Manager of Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls, to request that Free Play be moved back to Mondays. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2-La Crosse-July 11, 2016
No motions

Rep. Greg Blackdeer returns, Vice President Darren Brinegar returns.

District 2-Tomah-July 12, 2016
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the Office of the President the MOTION by Nuria Ortiz for Heritage Preservation Department to provide an update on the Ho-Chunk Nation Museum planning progress. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2-Madison-July 13, 2016
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the Finance Committee and Development Committee the MOTION by Christian Holst that the Madison Area support funding for the Ho-Chunk Gaming Expansion Project, Master Plan and ANE in the current fiscal year. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2-Baraboo
District Meeting was postponed.
District 3-Wittenberg-July 11, 2016

READ FOR THE RECORD:
MOTION by Pete Oknewski to table LEC Commission until next month.

District 3-WI Dells-July 12, 2016
MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to General Council Agency the MOTION by Kim Waukau to accept Clifford Blackdeer as the Waksik Ma General Council Agent. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

FYI:
Nursing Home-Cindy Tack was in contact with Mr. Tom Ranfranz, Native American Consultant in regards to building a Nursing Home at no cost to the Nation and they provide financial planning.
District 3-WI Rapids-July 13, 2016

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Office the President the MOTION by Bonnie Smith requesting Luke Georgeson do an inspection and provide for analysis along with any recommendation for the WI Rapids/Chak-Hah-Chee Youth Center. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to Office of the President, Department of Housing, and the

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P.O. Box 667
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
Attn: Anna Reichenbach

Koenig, brother to take provisions to pipeline protesters to return favor of their loyalty

Permission to reprint from Mike Tighe, La Crosse Tribune

It's payback time of sorts for University of Wisconsin basketball star Bronson Koenig, who will travel with his brother, Miles, to help other Native Americans in North Dakota who are locked in a battle to block a pipeline through their reservation.

Born in La Crosse, former Aquinas High School basketball star Bronson and brother Miles are members of the Ho-Chunk Nation, which is among several Wisconsin tribes that have signed a solidarity pact with the Standing Rock Sioux, who are trying to block the pipeline through their reservation.

The Koenigs are joining thousands of other Native Americans who have traveled to the Standing Rock Reservation near Bismarck, N.D., in an effort to block the 1,172-mile pipeline. The Dakota Access Pipeline, or DAPL, is planned to through North and South Dakota, Iowa and Illinois, with a capacity to transport more than 500,000 barrels of oil a day.

The pipeline also is mapped to be routed under the Missouri River before continuing south.

The protest took a violent turn last week when company security guards unleashed attack dogs on the protesters, many of whom sustained puncture wounds from dog bites, their blood dripping from the canines' mouths.

The Tribune could not reach 21-year-old Bronson for comment Monday afternoon, but

he told Yahoo Sports: "I hope to bring awareness to the cause and give everyone there a little bit of joy and a little bit of hope."

"I want to take time out of my schedule to pray with them and protest with them and show them that I'm right alongside them," said Koenig, a senior point guard who was one of the key players in the Badgers' return to the Sweet 16 earlier this year.

"They've always had my back whether I have an awful game or a great game, and this is my way of repaying the favor," said Bronson, who also intends to arrange a free, three-hour basketball clinic for Native American youths Saturday at the Standing Rock reservation.

Koenig, whose mother is Ho-Chunk, has emerged as a role model for Native American youths, featured on billboards in and around Black River Falls, where the Ho-Chunk Nation is headquartered, to discourage texting while driving.

Koenig also has emerged as a national symbol, seen as an inspiration because he is one of the few Native Americans to have achieved such prominence on the court.

Good-luck wishes from



Miles Koenig

other Native Americans to Koenig flood social media in advance of big Wisconsin games, according to Yahoo sports.

When the Badgers play in other Big Ten arenas, Native American families with no connection to the Badgers flock to the games, wearing replicas of Koenig's jersey and waving posters with his image on them.

"In the native American community, I would compare his platform to a LeBron (James) or Carmelo (Anthony)," said trainer Clint Parks, who will accompany the Koenigs. "For his community, that's what he is to them."

"I've had the opportunity to work a couple different camps at reservations with Native American kids this summer, and these kids are not saying they want to be LeBron or Steph," Parks told Yahoo Sports. "They're saying they want to be Bronson Koenig. They can't really identify with LeBron or Steph (Curry). But they see Bronson, and they think, 'That's me. If he can do it, I can do it.'"

The trip from Madison to the Peace Garden State — an ironic nickname, considering the volatility of the pipeline fracas — will take about 11 hours. They plan to stop at one of several protest camps south of Bismarck.

The gathering has grown for the past six months, multiplying exponentially in recent weeks as tension has mounted between the Sioux and the pipeline company.

"I just felt obligated to help," Miles Koenig said in an interview with the Tribune on Monday. "I felt a calling from within me to stand and protect."

The Koenigs plan to take much of their own clothing but also are accepting donations, Miles said. Also on the truck will be food, water, blankets and other supplies, he said.

The Koenigs are not the first Ho-Chunk to travel to the North Dakota prairie to help and support the Sioux.

Ho-Chunk President Wilfrid Cleveland and a half-dozen other tribal representatives recently took a trailer full of provisions to the protesters, and the tribe has raised money at its gaming operations to send to the protesters.



Bronson Koenig, who has become a role model and celebrity among Native Americans, is hauling supplies to the Standing Rock Sioux reservation in North Dakota. "In the Native American community, I would compare his platform to a LeBron (James) or Carmelo (Anthony)," said trainer Clint Parks, who will accompany Koenig and his brother Miles on the trip. "For his community, that's what he is to them."

Cleveland told Madison TV station News 3 that it is important for the nation's tribes to take a stand — and stand together, despite their differing traditions and ceremonies.

"If you're an indigenous person, we all have the water, we all have the environment as a connection," Cleveland told Channel 3.

The protests are important for the entire country, not just Native Americans, he said.

"The big concern that we have is not only for us, but it's for everyone, no matter what race you are," Cleveland said. "We know that these pipelines they're putting in — it's not a chance of if they're going to burst, or if they're going to leak. It's when."

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved the \$3.8 billion pipeline to cross under the Missouri River a mile north of the reservation.

The Standing Rock Sioux also insist that the pipeline's construction could damage sacred sites and burial places.

Energy Transfer Partners, which is building the pipeline, contends that the pipeline is safe. It will add thousands of jobs, with financial benefits including generating millions of dollars of income and sales taxes to state and local governments, according to the company.

Asked about the company's decision to release attack dogs

on the protesters, Miles Koenig said, "It's basically committing felonies."

"It's insane how the government allows that," especially since local authorities have taken no action against the company and, in many cases, deputies seem to be backing up Energy Transfer's security details.

The attacks were against "children and pregnant women. It breaks my heart," said Miles, a community outreach organizer at Three Rivers House, a Ho-Chunk branch office in La Crosse.

After a circuit court judge ruled Friday against the tribe's request to halt the pipeline construction, three federal agencies suggested that the company stop the work voluntarily.

The Justice, Army and Interior departments also issued a joint statement saying, "We appreciate the District Court's opinion. However, important issues raised by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other tribal nations and their members regarding the Dakota Access pipeline specifically, and pipeline-related decision-making generally, remain."

The statement said further, "The Army will not authorize constructing the Dakota Access pipeline on Corps land bordering or under Lake Oahe until it can determine whether it will need to reconsider any of its previous decisions regarding the Lake Oahe site under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) or other federal laws."

Shortly thereafter, President Barack Obama, who visited Standing Rock in 2014 and vowed to offer more support not only for that tribe but also other Native American communities across the country, encouraged the order to stop the work.

"I applaud him," Miles said. "I feel he's always heard the voice of the natives."

The Koenig brothers plan to take some of their own clothing, especially warm clothes, and any donations that people offer, Miles said.

"They're going to be out there all winter," Miles said of the protesters.

Anyone who wants to donate can call Miles at 608-433-8521 to arrange the drop-off.

Legislative minutes

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Department of Education the MOTION by Stephen Brinegar to request more information and the possibility of funding tribal members for Dental Health Aid Therapists. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 9-0-1 (Vice President Darren Brinegar) **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3-Green Bay-July 14, 2016

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Ho-Chunk Housing Community Development Agency the MOTION by Pam Wilber requesting HHCA to be present at the next area meeting to explain and have applications available for the new home on Tipp Rd. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Office of the President, Enrollment Officer the MOTION by Pam Wilber requesting a report on the enrollment process for tribal members without an enrollment board, by August area meeting. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 4-Milwaukee-July 13, 2016

No motions.

District 5-Chicago-July 11, 2016

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Debra Neer, to have the Chicago Branch Office join the Gladstone Park Chamber of Commerce and to have the money for membership come from the local account of the Chicago Area Ho-Chunk Members.

MOTION by Rep. Forrest White Rabbit to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Debra Neer, to approve and request that the Ho-Chunk Nation be one of the "Official Sponsors" at the Gladstone Park 1st Annual Throwback Music Festival being held September 9th-11th in the amount of the official sponsorship of \$5,000 dollars for this event. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Forrest White Rabbit to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Wendy White Eagle requesting additional funds of \$10K for the CFW and Ms. White Eagle will look into a fundraiser drive with Native American businesses in the Chicago Metro area for \$5K. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 5-Minneapolis/St. Paul-July 14, 2016

No motions.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adjourn to the new Vikings U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis, Minnesota on August 9, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Tribal Secretary



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- Narcan
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These services are free of charge to any enrolled Native American. This event is intended to be by appointment only, and we cannot guarantee services to walk-in clients. Appointment times are limited and will be made on a first come, first serve basis.

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Notice of HHCDA
Monthly Meeting
September 22, 2016
Ho-Chunk Housing &
Community Development Agency
(HUD Housing)

HHCDA Commissioners Lee Brown Jr., Karena Thundercloud, Colin Carrimon, Francis Decorah, Martin Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Robert Funmaker, Cheri Byhre, Mike Goze and John Dall. Will meet on Thursday, September 22, 2016, at 5:00 PM, at the HHCDA Office in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue). Agenda items by noon on September 15h, 2016 to the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.



Thank you to all the
branches of the
Ho-Chunk Nation
for remembering our
father,
Raymond Lowe
The beautiful
bouquets were
exquisite and helped
soften our loss.
The thoughtfulness
will not be forgotten.
GOD BLESS
YOU ALL!
The Family of
Raymond Lowe

MEETING
NOTICE

DISTRICT 1
BLACK RIVER FALLS AREA
MEETING

Wednesday, September 14, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Tribal Office Building
W9814 Airport Rd.
Black River Falls WI 54615
Posted on: 9/7/2016



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Monroe County Personnel Department
14345 County Highway B, Room 3, Sparta, WI 54656-4509
(608) 269-8719

Listed below are current vacancies that the Monroe County Personnel Department will accept applications for. If you know anyone who may be interested in any of these positions, please have them contact the Personnel Department to receive the appropriate materials to apply for the position. If no deadlines are listed, the position will remain open until filled.

Monroe County Vacancies

Position: **Social Worker** –
Children & Family Services Unit
Department: Human Services
Full-Time
Hiring Salary Range: \$39,000 -
\$42,877 Annually
Deadline: Monday, September
19, 2016

Position: **Medical Transcrip-
tionist/Office Clerk II**
Department: Health Department
Part-Time
Hiring Salary Range: \$14.02-
\$15.42/hr.
Deadline: Friday, September 23,
2016

Position: **Jailer**
Department: Sheriff Department
On-Call
Hiring Salary Range: \$15.00/hr.
Open until filled

Position: **Summer Laborer**
Department: Highway
Limited Term Employment
Hiring Salary Range: \$10.00/hr.
Deadline: Open until filled

Position: **Dog Pound Assistant**
Department: Sanitation, Plan-
ning, Zoning & Dog Control
On-Call Position
Hiring Salary: \$8.00/hr.
Deadline: Open until filled

Position: **Volunteer Driver**
Department: Senior Services
Volunteer with reimbursement of
\$0.53/mile.

**Rolling Hills Nursing Home is
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following:**

Position: **Certified Nursing Assistant**
Full-time pm shift (3pm-11pm) &
Full-time night shift (11pm-7am),
Part-time all shifts, and On-Call
Salary varies based on experi-
ence – More details available
upon request

Position: **Support Aide**
Limited Term Employee
Minimum Salary: \$10.00/hr.

Position: **Dietary Aide/Cook**
Full-Time, Part-Time & On-Call
Available
Minimum Salary: \$10.00/hr.

Position: **Student Dietary Aide**
On-Call
Minimum Salary: \$9.53/hr.
(Must be a full-time student and
be at least 16 years old, up to
the age of 25)



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Black River Falls, WI 54615

Journey of Hope Conference brings youth into the world of diabetes prevention

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

They say an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. But in the diabetic community, prevention is priceless. Armed with that knowledge, the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health held the 11th Annual Journey of Hope Conference at the Monona Terrace in Madison at the end of last month.

“We’ve been doing this for 11 years now,” said Health and Wellness Coordinator Sara Peterson. “This year, it’s a more broad spectrum of events than we’ve ever done before.”

The two-day event focused on educating the Native community about various health issues, particularly diabetes. More importantly, it provided support to tribal members affected by the disease.

“Native Americans are very prone to diabetes,” Master of Ceremonies Dash Thunder said. “It’s just the way it is.”

For that precise reason, the HCN Department of Health has been hosting the annual conference since 2005 in order to raise awareness about diabetes and some basic methods of prevention. This year’s conference proved to be quite different than the previous conferences, though. Before, the event focused solely on adults affected by diabetes. But this year, the conference also included a portion dedicated entirely to youth.

“The last ten years have been mainly focused on diabetes and adults,” Peterson said. “This year, we are going into Health and Wellness with a youth aspect as well.”

The idea for a youth portion of the conference came from the Youth Services Division.

At last year’s conference, Division Director Lanette Walker pitched the idea of a youth day to members of the Health Department. Without hesitation, the department agreed to her idea.

“Let’s do something now,” Walker said. “Let’s get [the children] to change their minds about the things that they put in their bodies, or what they do for their bodies, and try to help them understand that there’s different choices out there that they can make.”

The conference included presentations in the morning that were led by members of the Health Department. In the afternoon, the team split off into breakout sessions that addressed more specific topics concerning health and wellness. One of these sessions was the “7 Self Care Behaviors for Diabetes” – presented by Certified Diabetes Educator Chris Frederick.

“Most of the messages we give in the presentations are positive,” Frederick said. “We give some factual stuff. But we try to steer clear, in our presentations, of scare tactics. It’s more the positive end of things.”

Another breakout session was led by Motivational Speaker Waylon Pahona, Jr., who delivered the keynote speech on the second day of the conference. Pahona shared his personal experiences to help motivate those affected by diabetes.

“The purpose of the conference is more to educate people about their health and wellness,” Pahona said, “and understand the issues that can go on if you have diabetes.”

To generate more participation in the event, this year’s



Participants engage in an activity led by motivational speaker Waylon Pahona, Jr.

conference also included an enrichment night that featured traditional Ho-Chunk games. These games included Kasu, Pinaga, and the Moccasin Game.

“We also have beading offered,” Peterson said. “So there’s different little classes, different little fun things for enrichment night.”

The activities proved engaging, and helped people understand the connection between mental and physical wellbeing. In fact, everything involved with this year’s conference focused on raising awareness of individual health and wellness.

“We really got to pay attention to what we’re doing,” Walker said. “So let’s help our young people understand what could happen.”

Parents deeply appreciated the inclusion of a youth aspect. And overall, those involved in setting up the event consider the conference a great success.

“This year is the largest conference that we’ve had,” Peterson said. “It’s also at one of the biggest venues that we have had. So this year’s kind of a landmark in history right now.”

Everyone at the conference learned something new, including coordinators of the event. But hopefully, children gained the most.

“There’s more and more youth getting diabetes now,” Thunder said. “And we want to make sure that they can get a grasp, and understand diabetes early on so it doesn’t catch up to them later on in life.”



Youth play the Moccasin Game on enrichment night.



Bobby Bird teaches Jiu Jitsu to the youth on the second day of the conference.



Members of the Health Department explain some material presented at their booth.



Nursing students from Edgewood College test participants’ blood pressure and blood sugar levels at the Journey of Hope Conference.



Women of all ages participate in beadwork on enrichment night.

Left photo: Exercise Physiologist Chris Frederick holds up the fruit basket that is being given away in a raffle.